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## REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir,

Please extend the time for response to the Official Action dated July 23, 2009 by two months from October 23, 2009 to December 23, 2009. The amount of \$490.00 is submitted concurrently herewith as payment for the fee.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

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